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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Date: Tuesday, May 20, 2008**  
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### **Man arrested after firing handgun**

Riverside, CA -- On Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at approximately 11 a.m., a Riverside Police Department traffic officer was conducting a vehicle stop on Phoenix Ave., just west of the intersection with Central Ave. While conducting the traffic stop the officer and the citizen he was contacting heard several gunshots, which sounded as if they were coming from the immediate area. Both the officer and the citizen took cover, concerned that they were being fired upon.

Numerous additional officers and the Riverside Police Department helicopter immediately responded and cordoned off the area. Officers eventually detained a male subject in the area who was observed by police personnel to be acting suspiciously. Investigators learned that the male lived nearby; he had been unlawfully target shooting in his backyard, in the 5500-block Central Ave. Responding officers located a .38 caliber handgun as well of evidence that he had recently been shooting it while in his back yard, at the residence.

Paul Alvin MAGEE, 43, was arrested for discharging a firearm in a negligent and dangerous manner, and was booked into the Riverside County Jail.

Anyone with information helpful to this investigation is urged to call the Riverside Police Department at (951) 787-7911.

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